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SUBJECT: ACTION MEMORANDUM: PROPOSED TEXT OF ORAL

MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY TO CAGLAYANGIL(S/S NO. 7511191)

FOR THE SECRETARY THROUGH HARTMAN FROM ARMITAGE, ACTING

PROBLEM:

1. ALTHOUGH LITTLE PROGRESS WAS MADE ON SUBSTANCE DURING THE DEMIREL-CARAMANLIS MEETING MAY 31, A GOOD ATMOSPHERE EMERGED AND BOTH SIDES SUPPORTED THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS WHICH WILL BE HELD IN VIENNA JUNE 5-8. AS A FOLLOW-UP TO YOUR MEETINGS IN BRUSSELS AND TO ENCOURAGE CONTINUED MOVEMENT ON CYPRUS YOU MIGHT WISH TO SEND AN ORAL MESSAGE TO CAGLAYANGIL.

RECOMMENDATION: THAT YOU APPROVE THE ATTACHED TELEGRAM INSTRUCTING AMBASSADOR MACOMBER TO CONVEY YOUR ORAL MESSAGE TO CAGLAYANGIL.

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APPROVE DISAPPROVE

2. BEGIN TEXT OF TELEGRAM: FROM THE SECRETARY FOR AMBASSADOR. PLEASE CONVEY THE FOLLOWING ORAL MESSAGE FROM ME TO FONMIN CAGLAYANGIL.

3. BEGIN MESSAGE: PRESIDENT FORD AND I APPRECIATED THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH PRIME MINISTER DEMIREL AND YOU IN BRUSSELS. SINCE THEN WE HAVE BEEN ENCOURAGED BY REPORTS INDICATING THAT THE MEETING BETWEEN PRIME MINISTERS DEMIREL AND CARAMANLIS ON MAY 31 HAD A POSITIVE OUTCOME WHICH WILL LEAD TO A CONTINUING DIALOGUE AND THE NEGOTIATION OF THE ISSUES IN DISPUTE BETWEEN TURKEY AND GREECE. THE CONVENING OF THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS IN VIENNA ON JUNE 5, WITH THE SUPPORT OF TURKEY AND GREECE IS ANOTHER ENCOURAGING DEVELOPMENT THAT IS WIDELY WELCOMED IN THE UNITED STATES.

4. AS THE PRESIDENT STATED IN BRUSSELS, THE ADMINISTRATION WILL MAKE A MAXIMUM EFFORT DURING THE COMING WEEKS TO PASS THROUGH THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES LEGISLATION RESCINDING THE CUTOFF OF ARMS TO TURKEY. THE POSITIVE ATMOSPHERE OF THE BRUSSELS MEETINGS AND THE PROSPECT FOR FURTHER PROGRESS ON THE CYPRUS ISSUE THROUGH THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS HAS BEEN HELPFUL. FURTHERMORE, I HAVE ASKED AMBASSADOR MACOMBER TO RETURN TO WASHINGTON TO ADD HIS SUPPORT TO OUR EFFORT.

5. OUR EFFORTS WITH CONGRESS WOULD BE ASSISTED BY PROGRESS TOWARD A CYPRUS SOLUTION. I UNDERSTAND THE POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS WHICH MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT TO FORMULATE ITS POSITION ON TERRITORY. NEVERTHELESS, I HOPE THAT WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE GREEK-TURKISH AND INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS A WAY CAN BE FOUND TO APPROACH THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE, AS WELL AS TO MAINTAIN THE OVERALL MOMENTUM TOWARDS A CYPRUS SETTLEMENT. WE REMAIN READY TO ASSIST THIS PROCESS IN ANY WAY WE CAN.
END TEXT.

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